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Commissioner of Patents P.O.Box 1450

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Sir:

Applicant respectfully inquires as to the status of the above-identified application. The last PAPERS FILED on August 4, 2003, were Amendment Under 37 CFR 1.111 and a Petition for Extension of Time and a Status Inquiry on October 31, 2003.

Applicant is currently having negotiations with Johnson & Johnson, New Brunswick NJ, and a lack of decision from the Patent Office has become an impediment for further development of the invention, thereby causing economic harm to applicant.

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Respectfully submitted,

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